GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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SPECIAL TREATMENT TO SENIOR CITIZENS
Jha Shri Raghunath

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether senior citizens have to wait for a longer period in CGHS dispensaries to get blood and other tests done;

(b) if so. whether the Government proposes to get blood and other tests of senior citizens done in priority;

(c) whether various laboratories under the CGHS panel like Dr.Lal Pathology laboratory is not collecting blood and other samples of senior CGHS beneficiaries from their residences; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government against such laboratories which refuse to collect blood samples etc. from these senior citizen`s residences?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR.ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.

(c) A Memorandum of Agreement(MOA) has been entered into by Director, CGHS with the Authorised Signatory of each of the CGHS recognised private hospitals/diagnostic centres including Dr. Lal Pathology Laboratory, New Delhi, and the said MOA does not contain any provision for collecting blood and other samples from the residence of the CGHS beneficiaries.

(d) In view of (c) above, the question does not arise.